GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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NON-PAYMENT OF DUES OF NTPC BY DELHI AND U.P. ELECTRICITY BOARDS
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Electricity Boards of Delhi and Uttar Pradesh have failed to pay dues to NTPC on time;

(b) if so, whether NTPC may effect a cut in the electricity being supplied to Delhi and U.P.; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : In terms of the Bulk Power Supply Agreement signed by Delhi Vidyut Board(DVB) and Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd. (UPPCL) with National ThermaPower Corporation (NTPC), NTPC is empowered to regulate power supply to DVB andUPPCL in case of default in payment of its bills.

(c) : DVB is not paying NTPC bills in full. The payments by DVB are detailed below :

(Rs. Crores)

Month	Billing	Realisation	Shortfall
April`01	107.57	102.80	4.77
May`01	161.09	116.00	45.09
June`01	171.53	116.00	55.53
July`01	157.59	148.28	9.31
Total	597.78	483.08	114.70

NTPC`s outstanding dues against DVB has reached to Rs.3141.04 croresincluding surcharge of Rs.1580.50 crores as on 31.7.2001. NTPC is constantly pursuingwith DVB for ensuring full payment of current dues.NTPC may resort to regulation ofpower supply to DVB if payment position does not improve.

UPPCL has been defaulting in making payments to NTPC despite repeated requested and discussions at the highest level in UPPCL and Govt. of U.P. The payment made by UPPCL have been inadequate as can be seen from the following table :

Month	Billing	Realisation	Shortfall
April`01	266.56	130.35	136.21
May`01	256.17	100.00	156.17
June`01	253.67	131.01	122.66
July`01	280.94	150.64	130.30

Total 1057.34 512.00 545.34

It can be seen from the above that during April to July, 2001, UPPCL has paidonly 48.4% of the amount billed by NTPC.As a result the outstanding dues of UPPCL have mounted to Rs.3430.84 crores including surcharge of Rs.844.16 crores as on 31.7.2001.

NTPC has requested UPPCL to take the following actions by 15.8.2001 :

(i) To re-establish and enhance LCs from Rs.120 crores to Rs.259 crores.

(ii) To pay monthly bills in full.

(iii) To pay shortfall of Rs.545.34 crores accumulated between April and July, 2001.

(iv) To issue regular bonds in place of Promissory Note issued for Rs.1809.03 crores.